

# THIS MONTH IN DPW

June 2008

## DPW Director Talks About: Free Shredding and E-cycling/HHW Drop-off

Last month DPW opened its first *free shredding and e-cycling/household hazardous* waste drop-off site at the Benning Road Trash Transfer Station (3200 Benning Road, NE, 8 am to 3 pm). The District is the first jurisdiction in the region to offer weekly free shredding of personal documents. The site is open every Saturday, except holidays. We ask residents to witness their documents being shredded to make sure nothing is missed. Up to five, medium-size boxes (no larger than the standard District recycling bin, which is approximately 20" x 14" x 14") of paper personal documents and credit cards will be accepted. *No business or commercial material, please.* For more information, visit DPW's website at www.dpw.dc.gov or call 311.



Director William O. Howland, Jr.

## **How-to Tips for Summertime Recycling**

June 11 marked the District's first public space recycling effort, begun in partnership with the Capitol Hill Business Improvement District. This pilot program features six cans installed at these sites:



- ✓ 13th & Pennsylvania Ave., SE (South side of PA Ave. in front of Harris Teeter)
- ✓ 3rd & Pennsylvania Ave., SE (South side of PA Ave. in front of Starbucks)
- ✓ 8th & E Streets, SE (West side of 8th Street in front of 7-11)
- ✓ 600 Block of Pennsylvania Ave., SE (North side of street in front of PNC Bank)
- ✓ 7th & Pennsylvania Ave., SE (North side of PA Ave. in front of Bread and Chocolate)
- ✓ 236 Massachusetts Ave., NE (in front of "Bagels & Baguette" shop)

Please use the cans to recycle clean paper and newspapers, aluminum cans, and plastic and glass bottles. Next month, we begin a public space recycling pilot program in partnership with the Downtown BID.

# Holiday Notice - Friday, July 4, Independence Day

Trash and recycling collections, parking enforcement, and scheduled street sweeping will be suspended Friday, July 4. The Fort Totten Trash Transfer Station will be closed. Trash and recycling collections will be made Saturday, July 5, and the Benning Road Trash Transfer Station will be open for household hazardous waste/e-cycling drop-offs and document shredding (8 am to 3 pm). See the holiday schedule on our Web site.

# **FY 2008 YTD Statistics:** (October 2007 – May 2008)

- 69,005 tons of trash were collected.
- 17,969 lane miles of residential streets were swept mechanically.
- 18,729 tons of residential recyclables were collected.
- 11,435 vehicles were towed or relocated for rush hour violations.

## **Upcoming DPW Events**

For more information about these events, please contact Linda Grant at Linda.grant@dc.gov.

July 9 – Youth Empowerment Summit for "Not in OUR DC! Pledge to Keep the Capital Clean" litter and graffiti prevention program

July 10 – Community Partners Town Hall for "Not in OUR DC! Pledge to Keep the Capital Clean" litter and graffiti prevention program

July 12, noon – View the 30-minute documentary, "Not in OUR DC! Pledge to Keep the Capital Clean" featuring District youth who pledged to keep their communities free of litter and graffiti. The show airs on W\*USA 9.